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## ANARCHY.

**W**ITH the necessity of punishing Huerta and the probability strong that we will be involved in a general war with Mexico, or at least with the task of purifying and policing the whole country, our attention has been more or less distracted from a situation close at home which, without the stirring Mexican situation to overshadow it, would loom large in the news. It is a situation which should not be overlooked by any thoughtful citizen. It needs correction with a strong arm.

A condition of anarchy exists in the southern Colorado coal fields; has existed there for some time in greater or less degree. It had been thought that the situation was under control, and practically all the Colorado state troops were withdrawn. No sooner are they safely out of the district than bands of armed men, several hundred strong, rush through the district with torch and dynamite and a hand of lead, burning vast properties, killing men and women and children, and destroying their own source of livelihood. These men for the most part are foreigners, Greeks and Hungarians, and other scum of earth. The foreigners in every case are led by men named Smith or Snyder, or some other equally distinctive American name.

Officials of the Miners' union deny that they have furnished arms and ammunition to the half civilized foreigners who make up the bulk of their army. In the same breath they proudly assert that the war is one to the death and that half a million men are behind the Colorado thugs. Even if this were true, it would seem that the time has come for the United States to wipe out the kind of organized anarchy existing in Colorado under the name of organized labor. For years it has been terrible menace to the peace of the nation. Its leaders have shown a growing thirst for blood. It has grown bolder and bolder with each succeeding outbreak. It has long since lost the respect and support of decent union labor. Yet it is permitted to go on pillaging and looting and burning and killing, wholly without restraint. We make a great to do about conditions in Mexico. Yet three hundred miles to the north of us, in the heart of the Rocky mountains and the American west we have a condition quite as bad and quite as bloody as any that has existed in Chihuahua state or in Mexico City, while in many of its aspects it is infinitely more menacing to the future peace and prosperity of this nation.

## A WORLD'S WOMAN MOVEMENT.

**T**HE International Council of Women, which is held bi-annually in five years, will convene in Rome early in May. As the name implies, this society is a deliberative body giving the alert-minded women of all countries the opportunity to meet together to review progress and plan intelligent action for the future.

Thus far twenty-one countries are represented, covering a membership of six and a half millions. In other words, the international and broadly cosmopolitan character of the organization is apparent. That the women of the United States have taken a deep interest in the council is evidenced by the fact that thirteen million American women have enlisted as members. The countess of Aberdeen is its presiding officer and has been such for some fifteen years. Equal suffrage is a prominent though by no means the only objective of the international society of able women.

## TWENTIETH CENTURY MOTHERHOOD.

**D**E. HELEN C. PUTNAM, a distinguished woman physician and former president of the American Academy of Medicine of Providence, Rhode Island, discussed "Twentieth Century Motherhood" before the International Congress on the Welfare of the Child, which has been in session during the week in Washington.

"New ideals are stirring mothers," she declared. "That love and good intentions must be re-inforced with special knowledge is one and they demand instruction in the care of their children."

"Another ideal arousing motherhood to greater efficiency is that

man-made laws dividing parental responsibilities must yield to biological laws which punish the child and through it the race for mistakes of either parent regardless of sex. Neither may consent to blighting the child, whether by personal works or by social government."

Along with duty to fit herself for her vocation and to discharge her responsibilities as well as her home responsibilities for the child, the new mother is coming to see that daughters, like sons, can be safe, strong and happy only as they are educated to be self-supporting by wholesome labor.

Home-making must come into its own and be rated among special occupations in the census, with an economic valuation commanding respect.

## CATS.

**F**E CATS would content themselves with hunting rats and mice, or merely purring in peace, or basking by the fireside in winter, and in the sun in summer, all would be well. But all is not well, as the members of the Massachusetts legislature have been informed. The case of the cat has been put up to the lawmakers and they are having quite a time about it. There are the birds, which the farmer is told by the bird lovers are his best friends, and there are the rats, which the farmer is sure can get along without. As part of the warfare on cats the friends of the birds say the cats should be licensed, and a bill to that effect was introduced and referred to the agricultural committee. After hearing about the good offices of the cats in the pursuit of mice and rats the committee made a report giving leave for the withdrawal of the bill. But not so fast; the friends of the bill are sticking to it. They have succeeded in having the original bill substituted for the unfavorable report in the house.

Yet, in its present form the bill makes a class discrimination that is repugnant both to the constitution and to the spirit of Modern Feminism. Think of it! One clause provides that "one male cat to each household" shall be exempt from the license fee. Why should Thomas have this precedence over Maria? Ladies first, say we. One memoir of the legislature proposes to remedy this injustice, in part, but he doesn't go far enough. He would stop with striking out the word "male," but if he would be abreast of the times he should substitute for it the word "female," thus giving the sex its just rights. Let Thomas look out for himself, as in the past, he has proved himself capable of doing.

But this same representative has another amendment up his sleeve, which he will offer when the bill comes up for discussion and which may avoid the sex problem entirely. He will ask to have added the words that "any farmer may keep for his barn two cats or less, the same to be exempt from the license fee for peregrine." This ought to meet the requirements of the case.

## COPNS ON THE SOUL.

**A**LMOST every youngster goes through a period of skepticism, but if he has fair health of body and mind and he is unlikely to have the one without the other, he will get back to enough old-fashioned faith to make life sweet again. The only person in real danger is the one whose sensibilities become calloused. Such a man is not astern; he is dead. It is no wonder that re-birth is necessary to save men. In most cases it takes a resurrection. Nothing is more startling than a sudden and vivid conversion to the fact that a man can burn his body instead of having it forever make a fool of him.—Los Angeles Times.

Editor Albert Shaw of the American Review of Reviews views with some alarm the venomous attack of the Philippines assembly on Dr. Victor G. Reissner, director of health, and his efforts to load up the bureaus with able-bodied young native physicians. "The time is not yet ripe," says Dr. Shaw, "for the abandonment of our sanitary and educational enterprises in the Philippines. It must not be inferred that Mr. Harrison, the new governor general, is ruthlessly spoiling the best that we have already accomplished. Some of his removals of Americans have been for due cause. But he seems to have begun with a stock of views and opinions rather than with a stock of information. The process of modifying his views may be embarrassing, but let us hope that no irreparable harm may have been done."

From "The Light Cavalry of the Sea" by Lieutenant-Commander (to Pratt Manning) in the May "Petrel."

**A**THE name implies, torpedo boat destroyers were originally built to combat the smaller torpedo boats, which had become such a serious menace to the battle ships and large cruisers that searchlights

**SOLOS**

by the  
Second Fiddle.

**H**OW in thunder do the Washington politicians expect us to tell them whether we're at war or not, when we don't know?

IT IS the most unreasonable diplomatic request on record. It even beats Carranza's request that we recognize him while he goes and while Huerta stays.

IT HAS BEEN well known that Huerta is a more fighter, but after yesterday's Mexico City report, we conclude that he also smokes hop.

**I**N VIEW of the fact that mine-property worth half a million dollars has been destroyed, it looks like Colorado could have better afforded to pay the militiamen their salaries.

**T**HE COUNTY commissioners are going to fix the amount to be paid the Barrios bridge Monday if it's still there.

VILLA sent his love to General Hugh L. Scott. The general always had a way of gaining the affection of Indians.

**T**HE MAYOR of Trinidad declined to discuss the situation around his town. And nobody blames him.

**B**EING MAYOR of Trinidad must be ten degrees worse than being active manager of a crazy house.

**S**OME MEMBERS of the cabinets are inclined to take Villa's profession of friendship with a "team" of scallions. The safest way to take Villa is with a ball and chain.

**I**N VIEW of events at Laredo, El Paso probably will spend several nervous nights.

**W**ILLIAM RANDOLPH HEARST should go to Mexico and take a post graduate course in running a newspaper from Huerta's editors.

**P**ENNSYLVANIA regards our relations with Mexico as critical. It may be said that the senator's relations with Pennsylvania also are critical.

**A**T THIS TIME we will admit that the Monroe Doctrine is quite broadly applied.

**W**HAT proclaims a city to be clean this week and dirty the rest of the year?

**T**HE NEXT travel on its stomach, said Napoleon. Which is probably why he's considered a canine hell.

**O**N MAY 16th all roosters in Kentucky are to be slaughtered. Kentucky might be a swell market for remedies for indigestion soon thereafter.

**W**E LOVE to see the summer come; bright days and balmy nights. But save us from the bugs that ham around the corner lights.

**I**N SPITE of the war scare fresh cherries dropped yesterday to a dollar a pound.

**Y**OU MAY also trade a dollar for a new potato almost as big.

**W**ONDER what Huerta could do if he really went in for fiction?

**B**ILL JONES.

**E**LENT BILL Jones a dollar, and add'd me next day;

He borrowed a horse collar, and next a load of hay.

A pitchfork and feed cutter, a saw

hitch and some sheet.

And then he got a load of butter. I never could refuse.

Bill had no sort of credit at any of the stores.

He borrowed from old Neffit a boy to do my chores.

He borrowed on and borrowed till all the neighborhood.

Just scared the king, who was a weak

and over-crooked man, made her a visit and seized her money and estates under pretense that she had enriched

herself by avarice and injustice. She

was then arrested on three charges.

That she conspired to the death of

2. That she died her endeavor to prevent her son, the then king, from obtaining the crown.

3. That she maintained a scandalous intercourse with Alwyne, bishop of Winchester.

For her trial upon these articles

the archdeacon of Canterbury, in con-

tance with the king's direction, con-

vened a grand jury to investigate the ac-

cusations.

The queen was not heard, or in

any way interrogated by the accusa-

tion, and she was found guilty.

By the king's command he was sent to

the Tower of London to die.

The queen spent the night before the trial in prayer at St. Swithun's tomb in the church, and

next day, after the preparatory cere-

mories, she walked over the plain hot

ploughshares outside in the presence

of the king, the nobility and clergy.

The fire, say the assumed chroniclers,

was so far from making any impres-

sion that after she had walked out of

the church and had even tripped over

the stones in her path, they intended to bring her to the test.

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had come safely through the ordeal

he was terror-stricken, and falling

upon his knees he expressed his will-

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to his mother, but also to the bishop

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